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SUBJECT: ARC CONFERENCE ON NORTHEAST ASIAN AFFAIRS

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- 1. KIM JUN-YOP, DIRECTOR OF AISATIC RESEARCH CENTER, UPON HIS RETURN FROM U.S. IN DECEMBER, INFORMED POST HE HAD SOUNDED OUT AVAILABILITY OF PROFESSORS JAMES MORLEY, HERBEART PASSIN, GLENN PAIGE, ROBERT SCALAPINO, AND DONATD ZAGORIA TO PARTICIPATE IN ARC 20TH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE OF NORTHEAST ASIAN AFFAIRS JUNE 17-19. ALL SAID THEY WOULD BE AVAILABLE NEXT JUNE TO VISIT KOREA IN CONNECTION WITH ANNIVERSARY CONFERENCE AT THIS KEY ASIAN STUDIES INSTITUTE. DR. KIM HAS SOUGHT POST ASSISTANCE IN FACILITATING VISITS, POSSIBLY ON REGIONAL BASIS.
- 2. DR. KIM DURING U.S. TRIP ALSO EXTENDED INVITATIONS TO JOHN FAIRBANK AND DOAK BARNETT BUT THEY AGREED TO COME AT A DIFFERENT TIME. KIM WILL ARRANGE THEIR VISITS BY OTHER MEANS. UNCLASSIFIED

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3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT CONSIDER FIRST FIVE AS REGIONAL AMSPECS, TO VISIT KOREA FOR ARC CONFERENCE AND POST PROGRAMS RELATED TO KS-01, AND AT SAME TIME FOR PROGRAMMING IN JAPAN AND ELSEWHERE. ALL ARE EXCELLENT SPEAKERS, KNOWLEDGEABLE AND RESPECTED IN THEIR FIELDS,

SENSITIVE TO ASIAN PROBLEMS AND VIEWS, WHO CAN CONTRIBUTE TO EFFECTIVE DISCUSSION OF U.S. FOREIGN POLICY CONCERNS IN AREA.

4. HOPE DEPARTMENT CAN ARRANGE ALL FIVE TO VISIT KOREA AND REGION. IF LESS THAN FIVE ARE POSSIBLE, ADVISE WHICH ONES DEPARTMENT CAN CONSIDER FOR AMSPEC GRANTS SO ARC AND POST CAN PLAN ACCORDINGLY. SPEAKERS WILL BE ASKED TO PREPARE LECTURE TEXTS FOR ARC CONFERENCE. SNEIDER

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